

House Group Notes

week beginning 8th October

Psalm 23:3 "He restores my soul..."

For starters

1. Has anyone ever had something restored? What needed to be done?
2. What parallels can you see between restoring an antique or something similar and the work of restoration God does in our lives?
3. What are the differences?

For Mains

4. In his recent interview in the Observer, the comedian Eddie Izzard implied that he would believe in the afterlife if someone came back from the dead to tell us about it. What did Jesus have to say on this very subject? Read Luke 16:19-31.
5. What persuades you that Jesus rose from the dead and came back to tell us about the kingdom of God?
6. How does God restore our souls (Psalm 23:3)? You may want to look at the following passages: 2 Corinthians 5:17-19; Mark 1:35; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Hebrews 10:24-25; 1 Peter 3:13-17.

For Afters

Remind everyone of the BELLS acrostic.

7. In what ways has your life rung out for God since Sunday?

8. What opportunities might you have to let your life ring out for God in the coming days?

B.E.L.L.S. Let your life ring out!

Bless: Bless 3 people this week with your words or your actions. (Try for at least 1 person who doesn't know Jesus yet)

Eat: Eat with 3 people this week. This could be as simple as a cup of tea or a full meal! (Try for at least one person who doesn't know Jesus yet)

Listen: Spend at least one period of time this week listening for the Spirit's voice. (You could do this while walking or by sitting quietly)

Learn: Spend at least one period of time this week learning about Christ, through reading the Bible or listening to a talk etc.

Sent: Remember that you are a SENT person this week, always looking for ways to extend God's Kingdom on earth.